

To: Chang, Lisa[Chang.Lisa@epa.gov]; Murchie, Peter[Murchie.Peter@epa.gov]; Downs, Yvette[Downs.Yvette@epa.gov]; VanHaagen, Paula[vanhaagen.paula@epa.gov]
Cc: Wright, Garth[wright.garth@epa.gov]; Williams, Carrie[Williams.Carrie@epa.gov]
From: Brendle, Joanne
Sent: Mon 4/11/2016 6:56:31 PM
Subject: RE: Hotline Complaint 2016-0125 Request

I think we should go forward. We just want to make sure the grants office is brought up to speed on the issue of the Swinomish grant fund expenditures. I know several offices have had meetings about it, but we have not always been included.

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From: Chang, Lisa
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 11:45 AM
To: Murchie, Peter <Murchie.Peter@epa.gov>; Downs, Yvette <Downs.Yvette@epa.gov>; Brendle, Joanne <Brendle.Joanne@epa.gov>; VanHaagen, Paula <vanhaagen.paula@epa.gov>
Cc: Wright, Garth <wright.garth@epa.gov>; Williams, Carrie <Williams.Carrie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Hotline Complaint 2016-0125 Request

Joanne, I believe we set this up at your request – are you comfortable with postponing this until next week, or should we go forward despite Peter's request below? Please advise!

From: Murchie, Peter
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 9:34 AM
To: Downs, Yvette <Downs.Yvette@epa.gov>; Brendle, Joanne <Brendle.Joanne@epa.gov>; Chang, Lisa <Chang.Lisa@epa.gov>; VanHaagen, Paula <vanhaagen.paula@epa.gov>
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I would prefer to have this call when Garth is available – **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** Can we postpone until we can find a time that works for him too?

Thank you,

Peter

From: Downs, Yvette

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2016 10:26 AM

To: Brendle, Joanne <Brendle.Joanne@epa.gov>; Chang, Lisa <Chang.Lisa@epa.gov>; VanHaagen, Paula <vanhaagen.paula@epa.gov>

Cc: Wright, Garth <wright.garth@epa.gov>; Murchie, Peter <Murchie.Peter@epa.gov>; Williams, Carrie <Williams.Carrie@epa.gov>

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I will also call in.

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From: Brendle, Joanne

Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 4:20 PM

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Cc: Downs, Yvette <Downs.Yvette@epa.gov>; Wright, Garth <wright.garth@epa.gov>;
Murchie, Peter <Murchie.Peter@epa.gov>; Williams, Carrie <Williams.Carrie@epa.gov>
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Thank you so much, Lisa. I will be happy to take notes for those who cannot attend.

Personal Privacy/Ex. 6

Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

JoAnne

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From: Chang, Lisa

Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 4:15 PM

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Cc: Downs, Yvette <Downs.Yvette@epa.gov>; Wright, Garth <wright.garth@epa.gov>;
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Joanne,

I set up a meeting for Monday. **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** he is cc'd on the invitation, as are all those on this e-mail. Garth is not available on Monday, so unfortunately it will only be me from the programmatic side.

Lisa

From: Brendle, Joanne

Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 4:00 PM

To: VanHaagen, Paula <vanhaagen.paula@epa.gov>; Chang, Lisa <Chang.Lisa@epa.gov>

Cc: Downs, Yvette <Downs.Yvette@epa.gov>; Wright, Garth <wright.garth@epa.gov>; Murchie, Peter <Murchie.Peter@epa.gov>; Williams, Carrie <Williams.Carrie@epa.gov>; Brendle, Joanne <Brendle.Joanne@epa.gov>

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Seems to

We think the best course forward is to have a meeting as soon as possible to discuss the issue and the next steps so everyone is on the same page. Since this is high profile and there seems to be some misunderstandings about the issues involved, it would be best if we could meet as soon as possible.

Lisa, since this is your grant, could you please have someone in your office set up a meeting? (GIAU is extremely short staffed and has no admin to help with calendaring.) We need you, Garth, Paula and Peter (by phone, Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy and optional Yvette, me and Carrie. Please add anyone else you think may need to be involved.

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From: Mullen, Madeline

Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 12:59 PM

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Will do! No problem.

Thanks!
Madeline

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From: Brendle, Joanne

Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 12:17 PM

To: Mullen, Madeline <Mullen.Madeline@epa.gov>; Wright, Garth <wright.garth@epa.gov>; Williams, Carrie <Williams.Carrie@epa.gov>

Cc: Murchie, Peter <Murchie.Peter@epa.gov>; Chang, Lisa <Chang.Lisa@epa.gov>; Collins, Eileen <Collins.Eileen@epa.gov>; Downs, Yvette <Downs.Yvette@epa.gov>

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Yvette Downs is the Grants Specialist on this award and would like to be included in further correspondence. Thanks. JoAnne

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Hello,

Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

I attached the article as you requested. Our Public Affairs staff look at the news every day to find articles related to EPA issues, and that article popped up. I believed that someone in Region 10 knew about the decision, if indeed there was a decision, and could confirm it. I would like to verify whether the article's statements about EPA are true. Should I ask Mark MacIntyre? Would he have been the person who communicated with the news media? I don't want to present anything to our management based on a news article that may or may not be correct, so we would appreciate confirmation of whether or not there was a change.

Thanks!
Madeline

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From: Wright, Garth

Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 10:55 AM

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Cc: Murchie, Peter <Murchie.Peter@epa.gov>; Chang, Lisa <Chang.Lisa@epa.gov>; Brendle,
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Thanks!

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Hello,

Unfortunately, we can't wait that long. ☹ We just need a few sentences or bullet points to confirm whether or not EPA has changed its position, if the Region has any plans to follow up with NWIFC, and if so, what the Region might do. Please provide these snippets of information by Friday. I understand that everyone is very busy, but we need to meet with our management early next week. If the Region does not want to put anything in writing at this point, we can cover it in a 5 or 10 minute conversation. We appreciate your cooperation.

Thanks!

Madeline

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Hi Madeline,

It looks like Peter Murchie will be the contact for your inquiry below. **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**
Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy I am aware of two back-to-back conferences that impact Peter and team availability for the next week or so, (i.e. the Salish & Sea Ecosystem Conference in Canada, followed by the Puget Sound Conference).

I will follow up with Peter upon his return to the office. I hope this information is helpful.

Carrie

Carrie Williams

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Cc: Wright, Garth <wright.garth@epa.gov>; Chang, Lisa <Chang.Lisa@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Hotline Complaint 2016-0125 Request

Carrie,

I believe the article Madeline references is this one (but maybe not) that includes an EPA statement.

You should also be aware of a letter sent from Senator's Roberts and Inhofe to OIG on Monday also attached.

I will be checking in with a few folks related to our response to Madeline.

Thank you,

Peter

From: Mullen, Madeline

Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2016 10:35 AM

To: Williams, Carrie <Williams.Carrie@epa.gov>

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Hello,

We saw an article stating that EPA had reversed its opinion on grant funding for What's Upstream. Please provide us with a copy of EPA's statement and advise what the Region plans to do regarding the grant. We appreciate your time.

Thanks!
Madeline

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From: Mullen, Madeline
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Thank you!
Madeline

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From: Wright, Garth
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2016 2:14 PM
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Cc: Williams, Carrie <Williams.Carrie@epa.gov>; Collins, Eileen <Collins.Eileen@epa.gov>
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From: Mullen, Madeline

Sent: Friday, March 25, 2016 1:01 PM

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Thanks!
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